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1. The Chinese Nationalist 1 Army Group crossed the Indochina border at the wrong point*, fell into the hands of French forces at Liangshan and was disarmed. General PAI Chung-hsi is negotiating with the French for release of these troops.

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2. Ten Nationalist regiments which crossed the border at the proper point*, Shuimen Pass, are still armed and intact. PAI has daily radio contact with the regiments, which are commanded jointly by CHUNG Shen-zehih, PAI's subordinate, and LU Hung-ch'ing**. LU is Sao Dai's man** 25X1X
3. Thousands more are expected to cross soon. The 2 Army Group, moving from Yachuei, will cross through the Shuimen Pass, and others will cross moving south toward KAOCHING in Indochina.

* Comment. This seems to imply some prior arrangement or Nationalist knowledge of French troop positions along the border.

1A *** [REDACTED] Comment. Reader's attention is called to the comment in [REDACTED] * for Bao Dai's statements concerning MU Hung-ch'ing (Vu Hong Khanh). Radio Hanoi reported that on 22 December 1949 an additional 8,000 Chinese troops crossed the Indochina border between Dongdang and Dongkhe. Among them were 2,000 fully-armed Chinese, believed to be bandits, and 30 Viet Nameese, all commanded by Vu Hong Khanh, who used this occasion to return to Viet Nam. Vu's group, which has avoided the French, was believed to have split into small groups throughout the jungles. It is hard to believe that these men could again reorganize. Another broadcast quoted reports from Hanoi that 4,000 Chinese Nationalist soldiers who crossed into Indochina have refused to surrender their arms. French troops were said to be pursuing them.

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